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# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No.

33399

First Inventor

Robert B. Washburn

Title

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## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 26]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
  - Descriptive title of the invention
  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 4]
5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 2]
  - a. ☒ Newly executed (original or copy)  
Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
  - b. ☐
  - i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)  
named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
  - a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
  - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
    - i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
    - ii. ☐ paper
  - c. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies

## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) ☐ Power of Attorney
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☒ Copies of IDS Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☒ Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
17. ☒ Other: Check for \$797.00

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☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP)

of prior application No.: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Prior application information:

Examiner: \_\_\_\_\_

Group Art Unit: \_\_\_\_\_

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| Application Number   |                    |
| Filing Date          |                    |
| First Named Inventor | Robert B. Washburn |
| Examiner Name        |                    |
| Group Art Unit       |                    |
| Attorney Docket No.  | 33399              |

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☒ Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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| Large Entity  |               | Small Entity  |               | Fee Description        | Fee Paid |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|------------------------|----------|
| Fee Code (\$) | Fee Code (\$) | Fee Code (\$) | Fee Code (\$) |                        |          |
| 101           | 740           | 201           | 370           | Utility filing fee     | 370.00   |
| 106           | 330           | 206           | 165           | Design filing fee      |          |
| 107           | 510           | 207           | 255           | Plant filing fee       |          |
| 108           | 740           | 208           | 370           | Reissue filing fee     |          |
| 114           | 160           | 214           | 80            | Provisional filing fee | 370.00   |

**SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)** 370.00**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES**

| Total Claims       | Extra Claims | Fee from below | Fee Paid |
|--------------------|--------------|----------------|----------|
| 49                 | -20** = 29   | 9.00           | 261.00   |
| 6                  | -3** = 3     | 42.00          | 126.00   |
| Multiple Dependent |              |                |          |

| Large Entity  |               | Small Entity  |               | Fee Description  |
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| 103           | 18            | 203           | 9             | Claims in excess of 20                                     |
| 102           | 84            | 202           | 42            | Independent claims in excess of 3                          |
| 104           | 280           | 204           | 140           | Multiple dependent claim, if not paid                      |
| 109           | 84            | 209           | 42            | ** Reissue independent claims over original patent         |
| 110           | 18            | 210           | 9             | ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |

**SUBTOTAL (2) (\$)** 757.00

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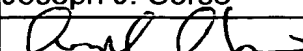
**FEE CALCULATION (continued)****3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

| Large Entity  |               | Small Entity  |               | Fee Description  | Fee Paid |
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| 105           | 130           | 205           | 65            | Surcharge - late filing fee or oath  |          |
| 127           | 50            | 227           | 25            | Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet                     |          |
| 139           | 130           | 139           | 130           | Non-English specification  |          |
| 147           | 2,520         | 147           | 2,520         | For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination                     |          |
| 112           | 920*          | 112           | 920*          | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action                     |          |
| 113           | 1,840*        | 113           | 1,840*        | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action                        |          |
| 115           | 110           | 215           | 55            | Extension for reply within first month                                     |          |
| 116           | 400           | 216           | 200           | Extension for reply within second month                                    |          |
| 117           | 920           | 217           | 460           | Extension for reply within third month                                     |          |
| 118           | 1,440         | 218           | 720           | Extension for reply within fourth month                                    |          |
| 128           | 1,960         | 228           | 980           | Extension for reply within fifth month                                     |          |
| 119           | 320           | 219           | 160           | Notice of Appeal   |          |
| 120           | 320           | 220           | 160           | Filing a brief in support of an appeal                                     |          |
| 121           | 280           | 221           | 140           | Request for oral hearing   |          |
| 138           | 1,510         | 138           | 1,510         | Petition to institute a public use proceeding                              |          |
| 140           | 110           | 240           | 55            | Petition to revive - unavoidable   |          |
| 141           | 1,280         | 241           | 640           | Petition to revive - unintentional   |          |
| 142           | 1,280         | 242           | 640           | Utility issue fee (or reissue)   |          |
| 143           | 460           | 243           | 230           | Design issue fee   |          |
| 144           | 620           | 244           | 310           | Plant issue fee  |          |
| 122           | 130           | 122           | 130           | Petitions to the Commissioner  |          |
| 123           | 50            | 123           | 50            | Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)  |          |
| 126           | 180           | 126           | 180           | Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt                                  |          |
| 581           | 40            | 581           | 40            | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) | 40.00    |
| 146           | 740           | 246           | 370           | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))              |          |
| 149           | 740           | 249           | 370           | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))           |          |
| 179           | 740           | 279           | 370           | Request for Continued Examination (RCE)                                    |          |
| 169           | 900           | 169           | 900           | Request for expedited examination of a design application                  |          |

Other fee (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

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**REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION  
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35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

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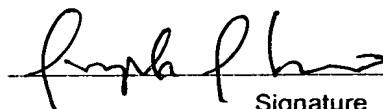
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February 20, 2002

Date



Signature

Joseph J. Corso

Typed or printed name

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